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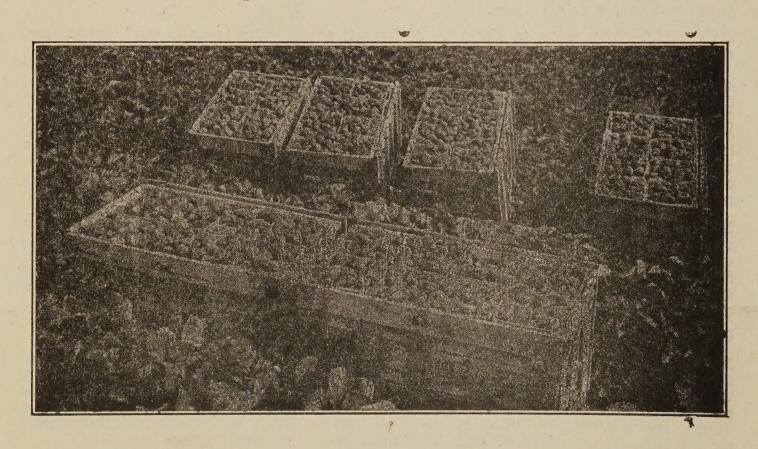
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# Perry's Catalogue

Select Strawberry Plants

Sweet Potato Plants

Asparagus and Rhubarb Roots



## BASIL PERRY

GEORGETOWN :-: DELAWARE

# Description of Varieties

PREMIER (Early) — Introduced more than thirty years ago. Every strawberry grower has heard of Premier for it is largely planted in almost all sections, and by almost all strawberry growers. It is one of the best and most popular varieties ever introduced and claimed by many to be without an equal for any purpose. It is a great success in almost all sections and on any soil. The plants are good growers, large and heavy-rooted. It ripens with the earliest, is very productive, the fruit is large and of delicious flavor, firm, a good keeper, ships well and sells for good prices. Many claim that it is the most profitable variety they have ever grown. If you want a good early variety that is not easily killed by frost, and one that bears through a long season you will make no mistake in planting Premier. On all soils and under all conditions I do not believe any of the newer varieties of the same season are as good as Premier.

**HOWARD 17.** — This berry is exactly the same as Premier.

FAIRFAX (Early) — The quality berry. A favorite in quality and productiveness. Originated and introduced with Dorsett, now widely known and planted. The berries are exceptionally large all through the fruiting season, and very firm. Plant Fairfax for its surperb flavor, large size and universal demand.

MIDLAND (Early) — A U. S. Department of Agriculture cross of Premier and Redheart. Has been tested for several years and looks well worth a trial. Midland makes plenty of large vigorous and healthy plants, very productive. The berries are large and firm, fine flavor and quality. The color is a deep red with a shine. Don't fail to try this variety.

CATSKILL (Midseason to Late) — A Sure Cropper. The largest, most productive,

and most profitable mid-season berry.

Was originated by the New York Exp. Station where it has been grown for several years and is highly recommended for its size, yield and attractiveness. Catskill is a cross of Marshall and Premier and must take its fruiting abilities after Premier for it is a heavy producer and in tests made has even outyielded that variety and seems to be second to none in yield under normal conditions. The berries are large in size, bright red in color with a bright green cap that makes an attractive appearance and of excellent quality and flavor. The plant growth is unusually vigorous with long fibrous roots that penetrate deep into the soil making them drouth resistant. The foliage is healthy and vigorous, makes plants freely.

**NEW YORK** (Midseason) — This is the sweetest strawberry grown. The plant is a vigorous grower, producing a moderate number of large, healthy plants. The berries are medium to large in size, dark red in color, but only moderately firm in texture. New York is a home garden variety. It is the only strawberry we know of that is sweet before it gets red. We have many calls for New York from those whose health does not permit them to eat berries which are in anyway tart or acid in quality.

**CORSICAN** — This berry is exactly the same as New York.

**RED STAR (Very Late)** — A new extremely late variety, originated by Dr. George Darrow of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Very large, firm, bright red berries, with good flavor. Vigorous grower, very productive. Red Star is recommended for all the northen States, and as far south as Virginia and west to Missouri. Red Star is really a great addition to the Strawberry variety list, filling a definite need for an extra late variety of very high quality.

GEORGE S. ROWELL, of Bedford Ohio, Writes: The strawberry plants came this day, fine plants, well packed and in excellent condition. I have bought berries from seven different firms, but your plants have been the best, both in the condition in which they arrive and the way they bear heavy crops.

EDWIN I. JOHNSON, of Mass., writes: Your plants are marvelous and come as fresh as any local plants.

OUR PLANTS ARE STATE INSPECTED AND FOUND FREE FROM DISEASE

# fall or Everbearing Strawberries

Everbearing strawberries have long since ceased to be just a novelty and have an accepted place in berry growing. They bear two crops each year, one in the spring and one in the fall. Everbearers will fruit the fall of the year they are set. Keep the blossoms cut off until about July 10 and you can enjoy luscious berries from August until the snow flies. Removing the early blossoms gives the plants a chance to make a vigorous growth before fruiting, resulting in more and larger berries in the fall.

GEM (Everbearing) — One of the best Everbearers. Large, glossy, bright red, attractive berries whose very appearance sells them for top prices. Smooth and uniform in shape. Good quality. Slightly tart. A heavy yielder and prolific plant maker.

GEMZATA (Everbearing) — A new everbearing strawberry that challenges the Mastodon and Gem. Developed from a cross of the Gem and Wayzata it is a triumph in Strawberry plant breeding. It is a vigorous grower, foliage being resistant to leaf spot. The fruit resembles Gem but averages larger, it is firm and very high in quality. It seems to adapt itself to a wide range of soils and is very productive, setting berries almost constantly during the summer and fall months. It is truly a fine Everbearing berry and we recommend it for trial.

BRUNES MARVEL (Everbearing) — This is another new variety of everbearing Strawberry that differs from all others in this way: For you folks who cannot eat other varieties of Strawberries, can eat this one. No acid, and about all sugar. This variety will not cause a rash like others do on some folks. It's really so sweet that no sugar is needed. Mild and smooth. Seeds are so small that they are hardly noticed. Berries large, bright red, and bear 60 days after set, and are still at it when it commences to snow.

#### STREAMLINER

REPORTS CONTINUE FAVORABLE ON THIS NEW EVERBEARER Public Approval From Many Sections Attest Its Fine Quality -Rich Color - Real Strawberry Flavor.

Streamliner is probably receiving more publicity than any everbearing straw-berry of recent introduction. Coming from the West it seems to be adapting itself to most central and eastern growing conditions. Plants seem vigorous and produce good spring crops and bear almost constantly during late summer and fall. Berries are medium to large, rich red color throughout, having a real strawberry flavor. Streamliner makes a good fruiting bed and we recommend it for trial.

MASTODON (Everbearing) — The fruit is of very large size and has a good waxy appearance. Produces an abundance of fruit, continuing throughout the summer and fall.

## ASPARAGUS ROOTS

MARY WASHINGTON. (The Best Variety). This is the best of the rust resistant strains and is the most widely used variety for home and market. The shoots are larger and grow more rapidly than other kinds. The stocks are very thick and of an attractive deep green color with purple tops. Even the largest and thickest shoots of this variety are tender and delicious.

Price of good strong two-year-old Roots — 25 for \$2.00; 50 for \$3.50; 100 for

\$5.50, Postpaid.

By Parcel Post or Express, purchaser to pay charges - 250 for \$10.00; 500 for \$15.00; 1,000 for \$25.00.

#### RHUBARB ROOTS

MYATT'S LINNAEUS - The earliest and best variety. The stalks grow very large and often 2 inches wide are light green and scarlet. Requires less sugar than other kinds. Price of good strong roots — 40c each; 3 for \$1.00; 8 for \$2.00, Postpaid.

By Parcel Post or Express, purchaser to pay charges — 25 for \$5.00; 50 for \$8.50;

100 for \$15.00.

## Price List of Strawberry Plants

By Parcel Post or Express Purchaser
By Parcel Post Prepaid to Pay Charges

PREMIER or HOWARD 17	25 Plants \$ 1.00 1.00	50 Plants \$ 1.75 1.75	100 Plants \$ 3.00 3.00	\$ 5.00 5.00	500 Plants \$ 8.50 8.50	1000 Plants \$15.00 15.00
FAIRFAX NEW YORK or CORSICAN MIDLAND RED STAR	1.00 1.00 1.00 1.00	1.75 1.75 1.75 1.75	3.00 3.00 3.00 3.00	5.00 5.00 5.00	10.00	
MASTODON (Everbearing)  GEM (Everbearing)  GEMZATA (Everbearing)  BRUNES MARVEL (Everbearing)  STREAMLINER (Everbearing)	1.50 1:50 1.50 1.50 1.50	2.75 2.75 2.75 2.75 2.75	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00	9.00 9.00 9.00	16.00 15.00	30.00

#### MY STRAWBERRY PLANTS

Are always grown in new beds,
Are fresh dug at time of shipment,
Are planted in blocks and kept pure,
Ars sold at as low a price as we can name,
And furnish good plants.

### Sweet Potato Plants

NANCY HALL — An old favorte of uniform excellence; yellow skin, meat sweet and of amber color.

**PORTO RICO YAMS** — A very popular variety. Deep orange flesh. Sweet, mellow and of fine flavor.

Price either variety — \$1.50 per 100; 200 for \$2.50; 500 for \$4.50; 1,000 for \$3.00, Postpaid.

Terms—Payment must be made before shipment. If not convenient to remit entire amount when order is sent remit not less than one-fourth of the amount of the order, and your order will be booked and held for you and you can remit the remainder when convenient, before shipment.

Our Prices—We think our prices are as low as any reliable grower can offer the same grade of goods. Some may offer lower prices, but the best plants are always the cheapest in the end. Try ours.

Our Stock is equal to any grown, and you may always rely on getting it fresh and full of life, and as our soil is especially adapted to the growing of plants, we send out as fine roots as any on the market-

#### STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

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Dover, Del. Sept. 21, 1948

This certifies that in accordance with Chapter 21, Article 1, Sections 1 to 16 inclusive, Revised Code of Delaware, 1935, the nursery Stock of Basil Perry of Georgetown, Sussex County, Delaware, has been examined and is apparently free from dangerous, injurious insects and diseases. The above Company certifies that the nursery stock contained in this shipment was taken from the stock which passed inspection.

This Certificate may be revoked by the State Board of Agriculture for cause,

and it is valid until so revoked. - W. R. Hickman, Inspector.

Our plants are certified. A copy of our State Certificate accompanies every shipment.